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Dear Dr. Kappas:

This letter is in reply to yours of August 20 requesting an opinion concerning Dr. Ronald Crystal.

I have known Ron since he was an intern and have worked with him on the ASCI Council. I have also had an opportunity to observe his operation at NIH.

Clearly, Ron has built the leading clinical research unit in pulmonary medicine in the country and probably the world. The efficiency and organizational scope of his program are quite impressive and suggest to me that the directorship of a clinical research group is something at which he excels. His original research shows good taste and competence and an instinct for pursuing practical applications.

I hope that these comments are helpful to you.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas P. Stossel, M.D.

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